## PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION TOWN OF NEEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

# DIRECTOR'S REPORT

# **September 21, 2018**

Background notes for Monday, September 24, 2018 Park and Recreation Commission Agenda

## **UPCOMING COMMISSION MEETING DATES**

Tuesday, October 9 (replacing the conflicted date of 10/8/18)

Monday, October 22

Tuesday, November 13 (replacing the conflicted date of 11/12/18)

Monday, November 26

Note – the new meeting location is the Rosemary Recreation Complex. When available, the Commission can meet in the multi-purpose room.

## **BUDGET DEADLINES**

The capital budget requests will be submitted on October 12<sup>th</sup>. The operating budget request will be submitted on October 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### ROSEMARY SEDIMENT REMOVAL PROJECT

The final permit – the Water Quality Certification – is in final internal review and expected to be released within days, so the project will now go out to bid and start later this fall. It is anticipated to be substantially complete prior to the pool season.

## **ROSEMARY PARKING**

The High School Principal reached out to me, again, asking about student parking at Rosemary during construction. I let him know that the upper lot is currently full with contractors from both the High School and Memorial Park projects, but that I would let the Commission know about his request.

#### WALKING IN NEEDHAM

I have attached some information provided to Town administration and senior staff at a recent meeting. Health and Human Services Director Tim McDonald and I did a presentation on the health benefits of walking outdoors.

## NEW ENGLAND PARK ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

Last week, I attended the New England Parks Association Conference. It was a great time to dialogue with colleagues, and attended sessions, including stormwater management project options, natural playgrounds, employee safety, and all-person park design.